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House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515–1803

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Mike Quigley
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban
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Chairman Cole and Ranking Member Quigley:

I request funding for Port of Lake Charles' City Docks Multiuse Transloading Facility in the fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District (Port of Lake Charles), located at 1611 W Sallier St, Lake Charles, LA 70601.

The funding would be used to modernize the facility's cargo handling infrastructure by paving underutilized areas of the rock surface area at the Ship Channel and providing connectivity to multimodal transloading options for cargo. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will allow the district to handle the anticipated increased cargo loads more efficiently and allow for higher stacking with the increased ground bearing capacity. This, in turn, will allow the district to continue long-term relationships with the operating stevedores and clients that utilize the complex for cargo movements, supporting jobs and overall economic activity in the Lake Charles region.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 46 U.S.C. 54301.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, nor does anyone in my immediate family.

Respectfully,

Member of Congress